

Eagle Lake Property Owners, Inc.

Annual Report from the Board of Directors
For the Year Ended June 30, 2006

The busy 2005-2006 year began with the Annual Meeting and picnic on July 9, 2005.

In August, Board members Rin Fraize and Rolf Tiedemann attended the third "Adirondack Water Quality Conference at Paul Smith's College. The Conference objective was "to seek input on the Adirondack Park Aquatic Nuisance Management Plan." Details of the Conference can be found in the November Newsletter, as well as on the Paul Smith's College website.

In September, Board Member Rolf Tiedemann gathered and supervised four divers and a few property owners to begin the process of removing milfoil from the lake by hand harvesting. Details of the project can be found in the November Newsletter.

Later in the Fall of 2005, Eagle Lake Property owners, Inc. was anticipating the posting of the New York State Aquatic Invasive Species Eradication Grant Program. We received the application in December and completed and submitted it, on behalf of the towns of Crown Point and Ticonderoga, in February. The goal of the grant application was to obtain funds to bolster our milfoil eradication project on the lake. The application was not approved.

Rolf Tiedemann has led the efforts of Eagle lake residents to combat milfoil. He organized and ran a meeting on December 15 in Warrensburg with sixteen concerned representatives from DEC, APA, NYS Dept of State, the Adirondack Council, and others including seven Eagle Lake residents to discuss means of attacking Eurasian Water Milfoil. Use of herbicides within the Park was met with mixed results. The Adirondack Council and Friends of the Adirondacks requested further discussions with their entire Boards.

Communication with lake residents and others continues via our Fall and Spring newsletters and through the ELPOI website at www.eaglelake1.org. ELPOI is grateful to International Paper for its financial grant to support our communications and for donation of mill felt to use for mats over milfoil.

ELPOI continued its annual donations to the Chilson Fire Department, Ti Emergency Squad, Interlakes Health Center, and Crown Point Fire and Emergency Service.

Bi-weekly water testing under the Statewide Lake Assessment Program (CSLAP) shows Eagle Lake continues to meet State standards for water used for contact recreation. Tests in early September by the Darrin Fresh Water Institute using water from 5 sites around the Lake also continued to show that our Lake is well within NYS standards for fecal streptococci and coliform content.

ELPOI membership count for the year ending June 30, 2005 was 57 or 66% of a total of 86 eligible members.

Sue Barwig, President